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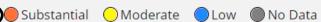
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COVID-19 Updates for Frederick County

Change in Frequency: *Update will not be sent next week on Nov. 11, Veterans Day.*

Level of Community Transmission in Frederick County, MD: <u>SUBSTANTIAL</u>

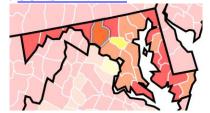




According to CDC, masks are recommended for everyone (including fully vaccinated people) in areas of substantial or







high community transmission.

Frederick County Fully Vaccinated				
	# Vaccinated	% of County Population		
Fully Vaccinated	167,979	64.7%		
1st Doses Given	159,556	61.5%		
2 nd Doses Given	150,732	58.1%		
Single Doses Given	17,247	6.6%		

Confirmed Cases:

24,492 (+52 in last 24 hrs)

Confirmed Deaths:

369 (+0 in last 24 hrs)

7-Day Positivity Rate:

5.21%

Frederick County residents fully vaccinated by age group:

% of Population	% of Population	% of Population	% of Population
12-17 Years of Age	12+ Years of Age	18+ Years of Age	65+ Years of Age
68.4%	79.5%	80.7%	92.9%

Please check our dashboard for statistics: http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats.

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Update on Vaccine for Children 5-11 Years Old

This week, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) gave emergency use authorization for Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for children who are 5-11 years old. Vaccines are free and insurance is not required. COVID-19 vaccine is not authorized for children four years old and younger at this time.

The COVID-19 vaccine dose for children 5-11 years old is different from the dose for people 12 years and older. For safety reasons, vaccinations for children 5-11 years old will not be administered at clinics for people 12 years and older, and vaccinations for people 12



CDC recommends that children ages 5–11 receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

years and older will not be administered at clinics for children 5-11 years old.

All children will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian to receive their COVID-19 vaccination at vaccination clinics held by the Frederick County Health Department or at Frederick County Public Schools.

- More health department clinics will be added to <u>our website</u> as vaccine is received.
- Frederick County Public Schools will continue to send out links through Find Out First to schedule upcoming school clinics.
- Check out http://covidvax.maryland.gov/ to search for pharmacies by zip code and vaccine for 5-11 year olds.

Preparing Children and Teens for Vaccination

- Talk to your child before vaccination about what to expect.
- It is **not recommended** you give pain relievers before vaccination to try to prevent side effects.

Possible Side Effects

Your child may have some <u>side effects</u>, which are normal signs that their body is building protection.

- There may be pain, redness or swelling on the arm where your child got the shot
- Your child may experience tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, fever, nausea

For more information, talk with your child's healthcare provider. CDC has more information on COVID vaccine for children available here.



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Updates from Frederick Health Hospital

COVID-19 Testing Update

Starting Nov. 8, you will need to have a COVID-19 test order from your doctor or a free self-test order to get a COVID-19 test at the Frederick Health Village curbside testing site that is run by Frederick Health Hospital. Testing site hours starting Monday will be 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Please note that you will NOT be able to get a COVID-19 test at the Frederick Health Village



location without a test order. You can call 240-316-4970 between 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. to obtain your self-test order. Frederick Health Primary Care, Urgent Care, and Employer Solutions locations will continue to offer testing as needed. FrederickHealth.org/COVIDtest

Monoclonal Antibody Treatment Update

Frederick Health Monoclonal Antibody Clinic is now open! If you test positive for COVID-19, ask your Primary Care Provider about getting this treatment at Frederick Health Hospital. If you do not have a Provider, visit frederickhealth.org/primary-care to learn more about our provider services. You must be referred by a Provider to get this treatment.

Steps to follow to get Monoclonal Antibody Therapy

- 1. You must test positive for COVID-19 with mild to moderate symptoms starting in the last 10 days.
- 2. You must be over 12 years of age.
- 3. Have your Provider complete the standard
 Maryland Monoclonal Antibody Therapy referral form and fax it to Frederick Health.
 Instructions and fax number are on the referral form.
- **4.** Once received, Frederick Health will review and contact you to make an appointment.



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Frederick Vaccination Update

All Marylanders 5 and older are eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccination. Please note that only Pfizer is authorized for people 5-17 years old. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Frederick County Health Department has clinics in a variety of locations throughout the county. This list can be found at

<u>http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine</u>. New links are added on Mondays.

- Schedule an appointment by going to http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine or call 855-634-6829 Monday Friday, 8am-8pm.
- For other dates/times, check out <u>Frederick</u> Health Hospital and other <u>locations</u>.
- If you need an in-home vaccination, please call 301-600-7900 to schedule.

LYFT Ride Option: Those who need a ride to get vaccinated can visit

<u>www.uwfrederick.org/rideunited</u> for more information or can call 301-600-7900 for English

or 301-600-7905 for Spanish. The first \$25 of each one-way ride is completely free to the rider.

Date	Time	Location	Inside/ Outdoor
Thursday, Nov. 4	1:30- 2:30pm	Rescue Mission 419 W. South St. Frederick, MD 21701	Outside
Thursday, Nov. 4	4-7pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).	Indoor
Thursday, Nov. 4	5-7pm	Brunswick , Railroad Square, Brunswick, MD 21716	Outside
Friday, Nov. 5	10am- 1pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).	Indoor
Friday, Nov. 5	5-7pm	Thurmont, 615 E. Main St., Thurmont, MD 21788	Outside
Saturday, Nov. 6	10am- 1pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).	Indoor
Tuesday, Nov. 9	4-6pm	Vigilant Hose Company 17701 Creamery Rd. Emmitsburg, MD 21727	Indoor
Wednesday, Nov. 10	4-6pm	Carver Apartments Community Center - 207 Lee Alley, Frederick MD, 21701	Indoor
Wednesday, Nov. 10	4-7pm	800 Oak Street, Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).	Indoor

Childcare option: KinderCare, Learning Care Group, and YMCA are all offering free child care to help parents and caregivers get vaccinated. For more information, visit the provider's website.

For More Information:

For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- For testing: https://covidtest.maryland.gov/
- For vaccination: https://www.vaccines.gov/ or http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine
- Frederick County Health Department: health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): <u>coronavirus.gov</u>

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